

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

ALIGNING BOARD PRIORITIES WITH OPTIMIZED RESOURCES

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#### **Mission Statement**

To provide safe, efficient, and sustainable roadways and transportation amenities, stormwater facilities, maintenance services throughout Leon County that enhances its livability, environment and economic vitality.

### **Strategic Initiatives/Support Highlights**

- In pursuing Public Works' American Public Works Association (APWA) accreditation, the department completed the first step in the accreditation process. During FY 2016, Public Works submitted a formal application and agreement to pursue accreditation. Public Works is now in the process of revising and/or developing policies and procedures, and implementing new processes, which are required for accreditation.
- Participated in the development of the North Monroe Street Corridor Action and Management Plan, which identified revitalization opportunities along North Monroe Street
- Assisted in the development of an agreement for Orchard Pond Parkway, the first Public/Private Toll Road in Florida. Orchard Pond Parkway was completed in April 2016.

# PLANNING, BUILDING & MAINTAINING QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE

- Public/Private Collaboration: Orchard Pond Parkway Toll Road –
  In an effort to enhance mobility in the northern part of the County,
  Leon County collaborated with the property owners adjacent to
  Orchard Pond Road to build the first privately built toll road in
  Florida. This 5.2 mile stretch of road, located between Meridian
  and Old Bainbridge Roads, provides direct relief to I-10 between
  Capital Circle Northwest and US 319 North of I-10.
- The Florida Department of Transportation awarded a State
  Infrastructure Bank (SIB) loan to the owners for the construction
  of the Toll Road. The SIB load funded \$13.5 million of the
  approximate \$17 million for construction of the project, with the
  property owner funding the remainder. The SIB loan will be repaid
  with toll revenues generated by the Project.



Natural Bridge Road

 Leon County entered into an Infrastructure Agreement with developers of the Orchard Pond Parkway, which conveyed ownership of the land and road improvements to the County.
 The County's ownership allows the toll collection system to be a drive-thru system as opposed to a stop-and-pay system with a

- toll gantry, resulting in a more enjoyable driving experience and quicker traffic flow along the roadway.
- The project included the construction of a 3.43 mile multiuse trail. Accessed from Old Bainbridge Road, the trail head accommodates horse trailers and passenger vehicles alike. Another trail head can be accessed by users of the recently completed Orchard Pond Parkway toll road. However, the trail head off of the toll road only accommodates passenger vehicles.



Orchard Pond Parkway Grand Opening



### Did You Know

Leon County Public Works provides water quality monitoring services at 73 sites throughout Leon County.

### **Contact Us**

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